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Economic Services Division

Committee on China

(Minutes of the Thirty-Fourth Meeting -- 1400 hours, 24 May 1955)  
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Present: Messrs: [REDACTED]

Guests: Mr. [REDACTED] 25X1X7 & NSA

The following items of current interest were discussed:

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2. There are indications that consideration is being given to reopening the Burma Road.

3. The program for dike repair in Hupeh Province, involving "millions of workers" is allegedly complete.

4. China's shortage of oil drums is again indicated by efforts to increase imports from Bulgaria.

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6. Communist China may be contemplating escort of coast-wise shipping from Canton to Swatow-- a step which would be important in providing POL supplies to the airfields under construction in that area.

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8. A possible change in the line on population problems is indicated by a recent article advocating birth control in China's Youth.

9. A project for construction <sup>of</sup> a through telephone land-line from Shanghai to Chungking-- to be completed in 1955 has been announced.

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